

TODD EIGHT; BRAUER FIVE

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the famous Brauer-Todd affair, Brauer had been snowed under and was well high buried out of sight.

The Result.

But the matter was considered nevertheless and upon motion of the Brauer contingent. The members of the committee were permitted for a while to finger a letter from State Committeeman Patton, who declared that Todd had agreed to abide by the decision of the State Committee and that nothing short of a bond with security could be more binding than the agreement Todd made before the Central Committee. Then Mr. Meyer got up and called for an executive session for the consideration of the troubles before the County Committee. The Committee thereupon arranged itself in executive session.

Results were announced about an hour later. Mr. Meyer had presented a series of resolutions, embodying a statement of the party laws, providing for right of appeal to the State Committee, and therefore declaring the County Committee to be subordinate to such regulations. The committee was therefore to recognize Brauer as the party nominee. These resolutions were hurriedly adopted and a substitute was offered by Mr. Ruffin and adopted. Under this substitute the County Committee was to be dissolved, the County Committee of Henrico, by a vote of eight to five, reiterated its denial of the right of the State Committee to interfere and pledged its support to Walter J. Todd, the Democratic nominee for the office of treasurer. The committee then adjourned.

A few minutes later four of the five men composing the minority met and issued a paper. In it they declared their allegiance to the State Committee and pledged their support to William H. Brauer, the Democratic nominee for the office of treasurer. Then they, too, adjourned. They have placed themselves in direct conflict with the remainder of the committee and will probably all resign next week. This is about the only course now left open to them. The four men who thus split off from the others are Messrs. Edward L. Ryan, of Shumaker's Precinct; E. S. Kellam, of Hardin's Shop; Louis F. Meyer, of Jones; and C. H. Graves, of Seven Pines.

Oh Will Run.

The long awaited session of the new committee, therefore, resulted in nothing, except a more grievous split in the party than ever. There are still two candidates in the field, and both claim the party nomination; the State Committee has been defeated again. All of this happened once before.

Mr. Todd is now preparing for a big fight to the end. He has for a second time secured the endorsement of the County Committee. He and Mr. Heckler, who will probably be his deputy, if he is elected, will stump the county. The campaign will be as hot as the first and Todd will be in the thick of it.

Mr. Brauer announced that he will appear as the Democratic nominee. He has received the unanimous endorsement of the State Committee and the endorsement of a portion of the county committee. He considers that he is the nominee, and that anything else is an interference. He will make a strong fight and expects to win out. When the proper time comes he will probably make some movement against the county committee. Mr. Brauer, Mr. Brauer's counsel, said yesterday that they would contest the admission of the Henrico Committee to the next State Democratic Convention. He holds that the committee placed itself outside of the pale of the party.

Session of the Committee.

Things were decided a battle around the courthouse when the hour of noon gradually wore around. The bluster of the weather on the outside drew most of those present to the interior, and the corridor was full of people gathered in the session, the session. Mr. Brauer was present with his attorney, Mr. W. H. Sands, and many of his followers. The other side was also well represented. Mr. Todd and Mr. Heckler were both there, with a large party of their friends. In this party was also Mr. St. George Coulter, counsel for Mr. Todd. Apart from these, there were several others not avowedly representative of either side.

There was every evidence of the very liveliest interest in everything that was to occur, and that did occur. The little room in which the committee usually sits was packed to suffocation when the session began, and things finally grew so bad that adjournment was made to the large room of the County Court, where committee and crowd could dispose themselves more comfortably.

Brauer Snowed Under.

The meeting was called to order about 12:15 o'clock by Chairman Ruffin, who was made temporary chairman of the new committee. The atmosphere was already beginning to tell of a Todd victory and a Brauer defeat.

After some parliamentary confusion the committee took up the consideration of the credentials of Mr. A. L. Cornwall, elected from Town Hall, but now a resident of Carter's. Mr. Cornwall was a Brauer man and an effort was made by the Brauer wing to seat him. It failed, and there then was given the first indication of a split in the committee, the majority side being for Todd. By a vote of five to four a seat on the committee was refused to Mr. Cornwall because he was not now a resident of the precinct from which he was elected.

The election of a permanent chairman gave a still more pronounced indication

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of how the tide was flowing. Mr. Thomas C. Ruffin was placed in nomination and at once received the support of the Todd contingent. On the other side, Mr. E. L. Ryan was taken and resulted in the election of Mr. Ruffin by a vote of six to four. The Todd wing had gained one man. There was no fight made over the other two offices. Mr. Sidney O'Bannon was unanimously elected secretary, and Mr. O. N. Nuckolls was in the same manner elected for the office of treasurer. The question of filling the vacancies on the committee next arose. Mr. John A. Archer, elected from Carter's, sent in his resignation, and the Brauer wing promptly nominated Mr. James N. Evans for the position. Mr. E. L. Ryan was placed in nomination by the Todd side, and the vote resulted Plücher seven, Evans four, and Mr. Plücher was seated. This gave the Todd side eight men to Brauer's four, and the committee promptly lined up in this manner on the next question. Westhampton had failed to win, and it was up to the committee to choose a new side. Two men were nominated, Mr. M. T. Thompson (Todd), and Mr. W. J. Pepper (Brauer), Thompson was elected by a vote of eight to four. Town Hall was still vacant. Mr. R. T. Wilson was elected later in the day without opposition. He was not present and his vote, therefore, cut no figure.

After organization this committee, therefore, stood with the following members in their seats: T. C. Ruffin, Sidney O'Bannon, O. N. Nuckolls, L. M. Michaels, Thomas F. Bagley, J. T. Angle, Joseph A. Johnston, R. M. Plücher, M. J. Thompson, E. L. Ryan, Louis F. Meyer, C. H. Graves and E. S. Kellam. Of this number the four last named were, at this stage, the representatives of the Brauer interests. The committee stood nine for Todd and four for Brauer.

Executive Session.

Upon motion of Mr. Meyer the committee then went into executive session for a consideration of the treasurer's matter. Mr. Meyer referred to the fact that there were two candidates for the office, each claiming the party nomination, and declared that it was up to the new committee to decide between them. He incidentally remarked that he had been present at the sessions of the State Committee and that all the disputants, including Heckler and Todd, had agreed to abide by the decision of that body.

The committee, therefore, retired for three-quarters of an hour, what it did in executive session had to be obtained later as best it could from conversation with members. There was no elaborate discussion of the points at issue. The Brauer men were whipped and they resigned. The committee then resumed its session. The first thing done was the offering by Mr. Meyer of the following resolutions:

"Resolved, That we, the Democratic Executive Committee of the county of Henrico, at our first meeting held since our election on September 2, 1903, hereby reaffirm an allegiance to the principles and platform of the Democratic party and the action of all times of its duly constituted authority.

"Whereas, under the State Democratic platform adopted at the Norfolk Convention, May 3, 1900, it was decided that the State Democratic Committee 'may decide all questions at issue which may arise in election districts; and

"Whereas, the State Democratic Committee in August, 1901, at Norfolk, reaffirmed said platform and directed the State Democratic Committee to adopt rules and regulations governing the party and its local committees, city and county, and

"Whereas, the State Democratic Committee adopted a rule as follows: 'County and City Committees shall have the direction and regulation of primaries held for the nomination of candidates for the House of Delegates, county and city officers, respectively, and decide contest subject to the right of appeal to the State Central Committee, and

"Whereas, the State Central Committee, acting in accordance with these several plans and regulations, have unanimously decided the appeal of Mr. William H. Brauer, and declared that he is the regular Democratic nominee for treasurer for the county of Henrico.

"Therefore, be it Resolved, That as in duty bound, we bow to this decision as being made by the duly constituted authority of the Democratic party of this State, and we request all Democrats to support the said William H. Brauer as the Democratic nominee."

A substitute was promptly offered, and the Meyer resolution as promptly sank out of sight. The substitute was prepared by Mr. Ruffin himself. It is as follows:

"Resolved, That it is the sense of this committee that the State Central Committee had no right to award the certificate of nomination for treasurer to William H. Brauer, as that right was only with the province of the County Committee, acting under and by virtue of a statute passed by the Legislature, and any error committed under this statute can be referred to no power other than the courts; and we further express the belief that the State Committee stretched its jurisdiction in giving Mr. Brauer the nomination, and in doing so the State Committee alone must be held responsible for the fact that the people of Henrico have two candidates before them, both claiming the nomination.

"Be it further resolved, That this committee pledges its support to Mr. W. J. Todd, the nominee, holding the certificate under authority of the County Committee."

The substitute was adopted. The committee lined up pretty much as it had done all day, with the single exception of Bagley, who came over to the Brauer side for the time being. The vote was by secret ballot, but it was about as follows:

For the substitute: Angle, Nuckolls, Plücher, Johnston, Thompson, Michaels, Ruffin, O'Bannon—8.
Against it: Kellam, Ryan, Meyer, Graves Bagley—5.

Action of the Minority.

As soon as the committee adjourned, which it did immediately after adopting the Ruffin paper, the Brauer members held a meeting. There were four of them present—Ryan, Kellam, Meyer and Graves. There was some suggestion that they would probably withdraw from the committee, but nothing of the sort happened. A paper was drawn up and signed by the four gentlemen. It reads as follows:

We, the undersigned, duly elected members of the Democratic Committee of Henrico county, desire to make this statement:

We deeply deplore the action of the Henrico County Committee in refusing to recognize Mr. Wm. H. Brauer as the nominee of the Democratic party for county treasurer, after Democratic State Central Committee, the highest authority in the party, had heard the appeal in the Brauer-Heckler-Todd contest, and declared Mr. Wm. H. Brauer the nominee of the party. The Democratic party that created the County Committee and the State Committee, the right to hear contests, but gave to the State Committee the right to hear appeals from the decision of the County Committee, in such contests. The parties to this contest acted in accordance with these laws of the Democratic party, and not only are the parties bound by the decision of the State Committee, but every Democrat is also bound thereby. We are therefore proud to say that our course is clear, and we hereby declare our purpose to support Mr. Wm. H. Brauer as the nominee of our party, and thus carry out our allegiance to the Democratic party and fulfill the oath we took to support the Democratic nominees, when we voted in the last primary.

(Signed), EDWARD L. RYAN, Shumaker's Precinct.
E. S. KELLAM, Hardin's Shop.
LOUIS F. MEYER, Jones' Precinct.
C. H. GRAVES, Seven Pines Precinct.
Mr. Patton's Letter.

One of the most interesting features of the day was the production of a pretty warm letter from Mr. Patton, of Charlottesville, a member of the State Committee, who offered the resolution over which there has been so much discussion. The members of the committee were permitted to see this letter. It was addressed to Mr. William H. Sands, counsel for Mr. Brauer. It reads as follows:

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va., Oct. 8, 1903.
Dear Mr. Sands,—The report of the Times-Dispatch of the Brauer-Todd-Heckler matter is entirely accurate, except for a typographical error, the omission of "it" after "that" in the first line of the resolution.

I had never seen any of the parties to the Henrico affair before their appearance in the State Committee. I had no personal interest in the matter, but I did become deeply concerned as a party man. The committee heard the attorneys for both sides with perfect patience and courtesy, and for nearly two hours it sought ground on which all concerned could stand with justice to the party. Judge Watkins stated clearly that if Brauer, Todd and Heckler made their appearance, as they would do if they participated, they would be bound by the committee's decision. The committee was as evidently in sympathy with this view as if it had affirmed it by resolution. When I proposed the resolution which put a stop to fencing, Mr. Fulton, one of the attorneys opposing Brauer, nodded to me, which I took to mean that he concurred. Thereafter the matter was taken up on its merits, and Brauer, Todd and Heckler appeared by counsel. I do not see how anything short of a bond with security could be more binding.

Yours truly,
(Signed), JOHN S. PATTON.



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